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The Specification

The Specification has been amended on page one to indicate that the present application is a divisional of United States Application Serial No. 09/848,698, filed May 3, 2001.

The Specification has also been amended at page 9, line 7 to correct a minor typographical omission.

No new matter has been introduced by way of the proposed change to the Specification.

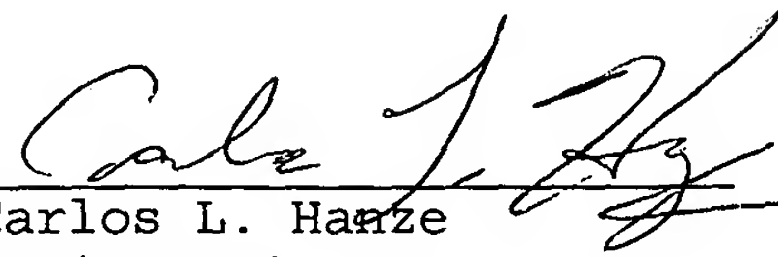
The Claims

New claims 21-24 are pending in the present application; original claims 1-20 are canceled. The foregoing claim amendments do not introduce any new matter, and are not intended to limit, restrict or otherwise preclude applicant from asserting any subsequent patent rights under the judicially recognized doctrine of equivalents.

If any further amendment is necessary to advance prosecution and place this case in allowable condition, the Examiner is courteously requested to contact the undersigned by fax or telephone at the number listed below.

Please charge any cost incurred in the filing of this Amendment, along with any other costs, to Deposit Account 06-1510. If there are insufficient funds in this account, please charge the fees to Deposit Account No. 06-1505.

Respectfully submitted,

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